

F.No.8-42/2017-FC
Government of India
Ministry of Environment Forests and Climate Change
(Forest Conservation Division)

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New Delhi: 1100 03.

Dated: 27th July, 2017

To

The Principal Secretary (Forests),
Government of Jharkhand,
Ranchi.

Sub: Proposal for diversion 68.40 hectares of forest land for CCL Konar Washery, B & K, Area, for seeking prior approval under section – 2 of forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in the State of Jharkhand.

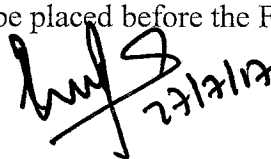
Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Government's letter No. VAN BHOOMI – 03/2016-2166 VP, Ranchi dated 23.05.2017 submitting the above subject proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. The said proposal was placed before Forest Advisory Committee (FAC) in its meeting held on 15.06.2017. The detailed minutes of the FAC meeting held on 15.06.2017 is placed on the website of this Ministry: [www. Forrestclearance.nic.in](http://www.Forrestclearance.nic.in).

2. The FAC considered the above facts and after having considered the same and having heard project proponent observed the following:

- a. The Cost Benefit analysis has not been provided for Washery.
- b. Justification for inclusion of a Thermal Power Plant which is not a site-specific activity, and neither essential for washery, in 30 Ha (out of 68.40 Ha) is not given.
- c. The detailed land use plan has not been provided.
- d. The DGPS map for the proposed area of diversion not given
- e. The FRA certificates show variations in area and are unclear as to which area they pertain.
- f. The CA sites appear to be encroached and some patches are already forested.
- g. The area proposed would affect a major river (Konar)
- h. The report of the CF states that washery is to be constructed in 19.0 Ha in previously diverted forest area of 288.26 Ha of Konar OCP. and only 7.40 H of forest land will be required additionally. The State Government to clarify the same *vis a vis* the present proposal.

The FAC recommended that the above issues be clarified by the State Govt and on receipt of the clarification the matter be placed before the FAC again.



3. Accordingly, the State Government of Jharkhand is requested to submit information/clarification/documents as indicated in para (2) above to this Ministry for further consideration of the proposal in the ministry.

Yours faithfully,


(Rajagopal Prashant)

Assistant Inspector General of Forest (FC)

Copy to:

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (HoFF), Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi.
2. The Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (Central), Eastern Regional Office, Ranchi:
3. The Nodal Officer (FCA), Office of the PCCF, Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi
4. User agency
5. Monitoring Cell of FC Division
6. Guard file.


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